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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire  
Chief Clerk & Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Palmetto Utilities, Inc. for adjustment of rates and charges  
**Docket No. 2017-228-S**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed please find the revised Audit Surrebuttal Exhibit ALB-1 which is hereby submitted in the above referenced docket to reflect updated rate case expenses. As agreed to at the hearing in this docket, ORS was provided with and has reviewed updated rate case expenses submitted by Palmetto Utilities through the hearing on January 17, 2018. ORS has reviewed the information provided by Palmetto and verified additional rate case expenses of \$58,598 post hearing. These additional expenses increase ORS' recommended total allowable rate case expenses to \$260,855. This amount amortized over 3 years, less the Company's per book amount, yields a post hearing adjustment of \$51,993. This adjustment is reflected in the attached revised Audit Surrebuttal Exhibit ALB-1.

Please contact myself and other parties should you have questions regarding these exhibits.

Yours Truly,

Jeffrey M. Nelson

Encl.

cc: Parties of Record (via E-mail & U.S. Mail)  
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